

## Message Text

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ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-04 H-01 INR-07  
L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15  
USIA-06 IO-13 /069 W  
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P 141447Z JUN 77

FM AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 6684  
INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN PRIORITY  
USINT BAGHDAD PRIORITY  
AMEMBASSY BEIRUT PRIORITY  
AMEMBASSY CAIRO PRIORITY  
AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINS, IS

SUBJECT: VISIT TO LEBANESE BORDER BY AMBASSADOR

1. TO REASSURE ANYONE WHO MIGHT TAKE BAGHDAD RADIO  
SERIOUSLY, I WAS INDEED VISITING THE NORTHERN BORDER  
AS UNOBTUSIVELY AS POSSIBLE ON JUNE 12. I WAS NOT  
"WATCHING THE BOMBARDMENT OF THE TOWN OF AN-NABATIYAH,"  
BUT RATHER GAZING OUT ON A VERY PLACID SCENE OF CULTI-  
VATED FIELDS AND COMPLETELY NORMAL ACTIVITY. THERE  
WERE ONLY A HANDFUL OF LEBANESE IN SIGHT, SOME FILLING  
WATER TANKS AT THE "FENCE" TO TAKE BACK TO THEIR  
VILLAGES AND A FEW PASSING THROUGH THE "GOOD FENCE."

2. I DECLINED FIRMLY THE ISRAELI OFFER TO INTRODUCE  
ME TO THE LEBANESE CHRISTIAN COMMANDER IN THE AREA,  
ELUDED THE TELEVISION CAMERAMAN AND PRESS, AND  
STUCK TO VISUAL OBSERVATIONS PLUS A GOOD BRIEFING FROM  
THE ISRAELI NORTHERN COMMANDER.

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LEWIS

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## Message Attributes

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**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
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